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SUBJECT: STATUS U.S. STOCKPILED OPIUM

1. ALL OPIUM IN THE U.S. STOCKPILE IS EXPRESSED BY THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION IN TERMS OF ITS ANHYDROUS MORPHINE ALKALOID CONTENT. PUB. L. 93-218 OF DECEMBER 31, 1973 AUTHORIZED THE RELEASE OF THE EQUIVALENT OF 298 TONS OF CRUDE OPIUM AT 10 PERCENT ANHYDROUS MORPHINE ALKALOID.

2. A FORMULA WAS DEVISED FOR RELEASING STOCKPILED OPIUM TO THE THREE QUALIFIED U.S. MANUFACTURERS BASED ON EACH MANUFACTURER'S NEED TO BRING ITS INVENTORY TO 60 PERCENT OF ITS EXPECTED ANNUAL DISPOSAL. SO FAR IN 1974, GSA HAS RELEASED THE EQUIVALENT OF 214 TONS OF STOCKPILED OPIUM AT 10 PERCENT ANHYDROUS MORPHINE ALKALOID, LEAVING THE EQUIVALENT OF 84 TONS OF CRUDE OPIUM AT 10 PERCENT

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ANHYDROUS MORPHINE ALKALOID.

3. ASSUMING OUR MANUFACTURERS WILL BE RECEIVING THEIR ALLOTMENTS FROM INDIA ON A TIMELY BASIS, THERE MAY BE NO FURTHER RELEASES THIS YEAR. HOWEVER, WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE FULL AMOUNT AUTHORIZED BY PUB. L. 93-218 WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE U.S. MANUFACTURERS DURING THE FIRST PART OF 1975. KISSINGER

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